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### RAILROAD NEWS.

Rail Lines Are Planning to Develop West.

So Says C. L. Seagraves, Colonization Agent A. T. & S. F.

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Room for This Many—Lower Cost of Living.

Other Items of General Interest in Traffic World.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 10.—That the American people themselves and not the railroads are responsible for the present high cost of living, is the opinion voiced yesterday by Charles L. Seagraves, general colonization agent of the Santa Fe, who was here from Chicago. Mr. Seagraves is the official to whom the Santa Fe has intrusted the project of populating its vast western territory.

"The railroads and railroad rates haven't anything to do with the high cost of living," Mr. Seagraves said. "It is all due to the tendency of the American people cityward. As people flock to the city the dependence increases and with fewer people raising the necessities of life the prices naturally mount."

"The cost of living is an economic problem, and the only practical solution is the 'back to the farm' idea. There isn't any great need for the people to pack the cities. West of the Mississippi river there is room for 50,000,000 people. Within a radius of 150 miles of Kansas City 5,000,000 could make a comfortable living. And to fill up this vast area is the proposition on which all the great trunk lines of the west are working."

**West No Longer Arid.**  
"It used to be that the west was in the arid section, and rightly named it was in that time. But modern science is making the west blossom out as the country's garden spot. Dry farming and irrigation have reclaimed great stretches of fertile land in the once Great American desert. New Mexico, the Panhandle, Pecos valley and Gulf coast of Texas, and Arizona, where once only cactus and sagebrush grew, now in small farms are furnishing the means of livelihood for thousands of people, who once thought that only the east and middle west were adapted to farming. Or one doesn't need to go that far. Western Kansas and Oklahoma are yet only in their infancy and have room for thousands of people."

"The proposition of populating the west is one on which the railroads have

been working for years. With the first homesteaders' excursions into the hitherto arid regions, came the speculators, who took up the most valuable sections of that time. Then, when the interests of farmers in other sections was aroused, they found they were compelled to pay tribute to speculators. Speculators didn't help us any, and in fact were not the class of people we wanted in the new sections."

**Farmers Are Wanted.**  
"Finally farmers in other states became prosperous and had money to invest. They didn't think much of the west, but were curious and wanted to see the country. Many of them, finding they could double their acreage, sold out and came west. These were the real pioneers, the kind of citizens we wanted. Since then the homesteaders' movement has been unusually heavy. Last year in round numbers the Santa Fe hauled west over 150,000 prospective homesteaders, nearly one-third of which have moved into the Golden West. They are satisfied, and know that the agricultural and horticultural possibilities of the west are greater than any other section. We would rather have one satisfied settler than a hundred speculators. Those who are living in the west and southwest now are proving magnets for others from the east and the middle west."

"One factor that will help the west in its development is the Panama exposition in San Francisco, which was the only practical location for such an enterprise. That will bring more people west than any other one feature. It will bring more of the middle classes, and in that way they will see the country and dispel the 'desert' idea gained from the perusal of the school geographies of a decade or two ago."

**EL PASO GATEWAY IS CLOSED.**

Tickets and Waybills Are Marked "Subject to Delay."

For some time little traffic—freight or passenger—will go via the unsettled conditions across the border. The railroads running to that section have issued orders to mark all tickets and waybills "subject to delay." No guarantee of passage across the border through El Paso is guaranteed by the National Railways of Mexico, owned by the Mexican government.

However, this will have little effect on the Mexican traffic. The gateway of Eagle Pass and Laredo are still open, and will continue to be unless the insurrection reaches those sections. California traffic via El Paso, however, is not disturbed, as it is not necessary to cross the border.

**HOMESSEEKER TRAVEL HEAVY.**

Lines in Topeka Report an Unusual Big Volume.

Homesteaders traffic through Topeka this week reached one of the highest volumes of the year. Extra trains were run on nearly every railroad, the objective points of the tourists being Florida, the Gulf coast of Texas, the Panhandle, Pecos valley, New Mexico, the Colorado desert, and the Santa Fe. The Rocks Island reports the highest record

in the road's history out of Topeka.

**U. P. WILL RUSH TWIN TRACKS.**

Officials Say Work Will Be Completed in Three Years.

Denver, Col., Feb. 10.—"We expect to have the double tracking of the entire main line of the Union Pacific finished within three years," said A. L. Mohler, vice president of that company. Mr. Mohler's statement means that the plans for double tracking the main lines of the Harriman roads, at a cost of \$75,000,000, which were announced last week by President Robert S. Lovett, are to be pushed as far as the Union Pacific is concerned. It will give work to thousands of Colorado laborers.

"The main line from Omaha to Ogden, a distance of 1,000 miles, will be double tracked," continued Mr. Mohler. "Part of this work has already been done. When it is finished, and the improvements on the Southern Pacific are completed, it will mean a double tracked route all the way across the American continent. The Union Pacific and Southern Pacific portion of this route will be from Omaha to San Francisco. The Chicago & North Western, which connects with the Union Pacific at Omaha, has double tracks to Chicago, and from that point east the lines are already of that class of construction."

**RAILWAY NOTES.**

M. A. Low, general attorney of the Rock Island, is known as "The Silent Man." He talks less perhaps than any other man in the state—that is, any man who really has the gift of speech.

The other day John R. Mulvane, the Topeka banker, had some business with Mr. Low. He found Low's voice in a very husky condition.

"What's the matter of your voice?" asked Mulvane.

"I guess I talked too much last night," replied Low.—Kansas City Journal.

Union Pacific passenger officials received word that the stretch of track on the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake line which was washed out beyond Acoma, Nev., last Friday had been repaired and train service established. The Union Pacific through service to Los Angeles is over this line.

Thos. Mitchell and a force of Santa Fe carpenters are completing a handsome frame depot for Burns, Okla. The plan calls for building from Beaver, Okla., southeast to Frederick, near the Red river, thence into Texas, with a branch from Elk City, in Beckham county, Okla., east to Oklahoma City, in all, about 325 miles. The estimated cost of construction is \$30,000 a mile.

The Missouri Pacific is said to have ordered 1,000 refrigerator cars and 1,500 steel hopper cars.

**MORE CRAIN SUITS.**

Miss McKee's Attorneys Are Going After \$10,000 Judgment.

Ottawa, Kan., Feb. 10.—There will be more suits to set aside and otherwise get hold of property to pay the judgment of \$10,000 recently awarded Miss Ethel McKee against Prof. Grant H. Crain. This information leaked out today and came from Miss McKee's attorneys.

Already a suit has been begun to nullify the transfer of the old home place to Mrs. Fann Crain. Prof. Crain's mother, and the Finney county land, said to be a tract of 320 acres, probably will be the next on litigation. It is said that a mortgage was placed on this soon after Miss McKee started her suit last fall.

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### REPORT MARCH 15

Moore Will Issue Call for That Date.

Wants to See His Pitchers and Catchers First.

**FIELDERS DUE LATER.**

St. Joseph Schedule Meeting Called for Sunday Next.

M'Gill of Denver Scouting on the Way.

The baseball players of the Topeka club will soon be sent their reporting dates. Manager Moore said today he intended to have his pitchers and catchers in Topeka on March 15. The fielders will be called in for March 20, five days later.

If the present weather can be taken as anything of an indication, these dates will be none too early for beneficial practice and Moore is anxious to look over his material.

Pitchers Fugate, Ovit, Beecher, McGreth, Leak, Buchanan, Upton and catcher Alderman are expected to be ready to report. Butch Kerns, Starnagle and Morris are the three catchers banked on by the managements to do the backstopping.

No new players have been closed by the club in several weeks but several are pending by which it is hoped to add one or two infielders and one outfielder.

Both Moore and President Woodward will go to St. Joseph to attend the schedule meeting of the Western League Sunday, February 13. Probably some deals will be pulled off there when the club owners get together. Then when the big league meeting is held in Chicago the following Wednesday, there are expected to be some fine chances to get the surplusage of material.

Besides the adoption of a schedule for the Western League, the St. Joseph meeting will be called upon to name the official league. Whether the Victor ball will be retained is not much discussed. It is said the Goldsmith people will submit a ball and a proposition.

**YOST UPSSETS THREE SCHEDULES.**

Made Nebraska Go to Lawrence, So Kansas Goes to Manhattan.

The football schedules of Nebraska, Kansas and Kansas Aggies all were materially affected by Michigan's demand that Nebraska should not play in Lincoln a week previous to the Wolverine game. Yost decided to give the Cornhuskers a game provided they transferred their Kansas game to Lawrence. The Wolverine date is November 22.

Nebraska had already arranged to play the Kansas game in Lincoln November 18. Yost knowing this to be the "big drawing card" of the Missouri Valley schedule, feeling it would cut the attendance at his game the following week.

The Cornhuskers then arranged with Lansdon to let the game go to Lawrence, Okla. The Chicago & North Western, which connects with the Union Pacific at Omaha, has double tracks to Chicago, and from that point east the lines are already of that class of construction."

The Kansas schedule revised is as follows:

Baker university, October 7, at Lawrence.

Mary's college, October 14, at Lawrence.

Manhattan "Aggies," October 21, at Manhattan.

Drake university, October 28, at Lawrence.

Washington college, November 4, at Topeka.

Oklahoma university, November 11, at Lawrence.

University of Missouri, November 25, at Columbia.

**LION AND POLE IN GREAT BOUT.**

Zbyszko Wins Decision From Hackenschmidt in Handicap.

New York, Feb. 10.—In 90 minutes of wrestling, George Hackenschmidt, the Russian, failed to throw Stanislaus Zbyszko, the Pole, at Madison Square Garden last night, and the match went to the Pole.

Hackenschmidt had undertaken to throw Zbyszko twice within an hour and a half.

Hackenschmidt was the aggressor in the early part of the bout and the faster, cleaner workman of the two; but Zbyszko's great weight began to tell with every additional minute and at the finish he seemed the stronger of the two.

The weights were given on the program as Hackenschmidt, 210 and Zbyszko 270. In spite of his huge bulk, Hackenschmidt twice heaved the Pole over his shoulder and slammed him to the mat with all his force. The shock shook the Pole heavily but did not lessen his strength.

For the most part Zbyszko chose a chancery hold, and Hackenschmidt found trouble in working away from it. At other times the Pole tried Frank Gotch's favorite toe hold, but Hackenschmidt with his tremendous weight repeatedly broke it by driving his leg back like a piston.

Whenever Hackenschmidt got a half Nelson, Zbyszko broke it by flipping his back somersault. For perhaps half the period they were on the mat. Toward the close of the bout, Zbyszko, who had been of the defensive, took the aggressive and continued to show stronger to the end. His work was rough and some times drew the disapproval of the crowd. He butted with his head and punched with his elbows.

No purse was announced, and there

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was no clear proof of superiority for either man. Technically, the Pole is the winner.

**HOW THE LIONS LOOK FOR 1911.**

Abbott Hailed as a Mighty Trainer for the Brush Beasts.

Lyons, Kan., Feb. 10.—Spencer Arthur Abbott, voted by the fans "Old Ab," often first base for the Topeka "Cooleysox" team during past seasons, and some times scouting manager of the Wellington Dukes; has been retained to head the rampant Lions through the highways and byways of the Kansas State league for the season of 1911. Abbott was in Lyons Monday and passed his classic moment to a contract. He returned to Topeka the same day.

In obtaining Abbott as a manager, the Lyons management shows good headwork. "Ab" is a tall player with first water, and if he has a team which will mind him, he will win games with it. Abbott is a manager who makes his men keep training and "has it in" good and hard for the pastimers who loaf on the job or spend their nights trying to down "Old John Barleycorn."

Last year he took the Dukelings when they were going to rack and ruin and won a number of games in succession that the directors called a special meeting. Later, he returned to Topeka. After his departure the team lost quite a bit of ginger. Abbott dies hard and will not give up until the last man is cut. He plays his position well and is a good hitter, although no phenom in the swat line. Abbott has a wide acquaintance among ball players and should be able to select some classy recruits to make up his 1911 bunch.

In the meantime President Anawalt has not been idle. The following players are already under contract and will report for spring practice:

Tom Clark, of Pueblo, outfielder. He is a fast man and played with Raton, N. M., last year.

Donahue, an infielder from Kansas City, who is highly recommended.

Weeks, another infielder from Kansas City, with fine recommendations.

Geo. Carpenter, second baseman, from Kansas City.

James Coffey, infielder, also from Kansas City.

Wm. Stean, a promising catcher, from Liberty, Mo.

Ray Smith, a fast outfielder, from Erie, Kan.

Ed Locke, a southpaw, from Erie, Kan. Locke pitched for Guthrie last year, and is also a strong batter. He may play the outfield.

Hoagland, a third baseman, from Erie, Kan.

Jimmy Chase, an all around utility man, who lives at Wichita and comes highly recommended.

In addition to these, there are contracts out for other new men, who have accepted terms, but whose contracts have not yet been actually received.

Of the old men, Garrity, Horath, Woolen, Sizemore and Dressen are expected to report, as they are under reserve, and contracts have been sent them for signature. Leo Langley is living here and ready to report any old time.

Optional sales have been made of the following members of last year's club, subject to their making good: Turner and Weisner to Springfield, Ill.; Haasler to Sacramento, Cal., and Frammell to Galveston, Tex.

Some additional stock of the Athletic association has been sold, but considerable more must be disposed of to put the finances in shape for the coming season. It cost money to run class B baseball, but, after all, it is worth the price.

**MCGILL EN ROUTE TO MEETING.**

Denver Owner Makes Eastern Trip in Search of Players.

Denver, Feb. 10.—James C. McGill, president of the Denver baseball club, left Denver at 10:35 last night over the Union Pacific for an extended stay in the east, during which time he will close deals for at least three major league players. Incidentally he will attend the Western League schedule meeting at St. Joseph, and will hold a conference with Jack Hendricks, at which plans for the coming season will be outlined.

Among others he will meet Muggsy McGraw and make arrangements for the purchase of one or two of the Giants' surplus talent. Unless the date of the Western League meeting is changed it is probable that McGill will give his proxy to Manager Jack Hendricks, who will represent Denver at the session.

McGill will stop in Chicago on his way east and have a conference with Hendricks. At this it is to be decided what players are needed by the local club and a systematic effort will be made to land them. For two months Jack Hendricks has been on the trail of several good players, now the property of major league clubs, and several of these deals will be closed during Mr. McGill's absence in the east.

**KID COTTON PUT OUT BY HARRIS.**

Almost Beaten Harris Swung a Right to Heart in Seventh.

New York, Feb. 10.—George (Kid) Cotton, of Pittsburgh, former sparring partner of Jack Johnson, was knocked out here last night by Morris Harris in the seventh round of a 10-round bout before the National Sporting club of America. The negroes furnished the fastest battle seen here between heavyweights in years and the knockout came as the sensational close of a round in which Cotton apparently had Harris at his mercy.

Harris had the better of the earlier rounds and in the third put Cotton down for the count of nine with a right swing to the jaw. When Cotton clambered to his feet he was groggy, but the bell saved him. He came back strong in the next round and just before the knockout had Harris weak and covering up.

In the last minute of the seventh, Cotton forced Harris hard, but out of a defensive crouch, suddenly Harris let fly a right swing. The blow caught Cotton fairly over the heart and he crumpled up like a leaf.

**FLIXING DUTCHMAN AS A JUROR.**

Honus Wagner May Not Get to Springfield.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 10.—John P. (Honus) Wagner, shortstop of the Pittsburgh National league team, has been drawn as a juror for the March term of court. Wagner is supposed to depart for the training quarters at West Baden, Ind., on March 5 and it will be necessary to secure the consent of the court before he can do so.

**He Made His Own Coffin.**

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 10.—In a casket made of cherry wood that had been hewn by himself more than 50 years ago, the body of William N. Whitley, millionaire manufacturer of reapers of Springfield, O., was entombed here. The shroud covering the body was given to Mr. Whitley twenty years ago by his daughter for this particular purpose.

**Schulte Signs for Three Years.**  
Chicago, Feb. 10.—Outfielder Frank Schulte, of the Chicago National League baseball club, champion home run batsman for 1910, has signed a three year contract to play with Chicago. He will receive an increase in salary.

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Oklahoma City After St. Joe Club.  
St. Joseph, Mo., Feb. 10.—Jack Holland was made an offer by Oklahoma City for the St. Joseph baseball franchise in the Western league. He has refused to sell.

Riley to Train "Hope" Morris.  
Tulsa, Okla., Feb. 10.—Con Riley, formerly the trainer of "Kid" McCoy, has been engaged to develop Carl Morris, the Sapulpa pugilist. Riley will take charge of Morris in a few days.

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